

**Totley History Group**  
**Totley Library**  
**Wednesday, 22 April 2009**

**Present:** 28 members

Sally arranged for David Hey, Derbyshire and Yorkshire historian, to speak at the meeting. He showed us many slides of packhorse routes, bridges of the Peak District and Penistone areas. All agreed this was thoroughly interesting and enjoyable and thanked David for his time.

**Business Items:**

Contact List for the Group – This is now complete, please advise if your details need to be added. The minutes from this meeting are emailed to the email addresses on the list and are also available on the TRA website.

First Steps for Older People Grant – Christine has reviewed the application form, there is no cut-off date. The group need to decide what we would like to apply for. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

**ACTION: ALL**

All agreed to set-up a sub group to get the oral history moving forward, this will be Christine, Gill, Ann, Jim – First date for this to be arranged.

**ACTION: THE SUB GROUP**

Also, all agreed to set-up a sub group to look at setting up a website for us, this will be Rony, Ian, Ann, Richard, Dom, John Beazer – Currently trying to arrange a date that all can attend.

**ACTION: IAN IS ARRANGING**

School House on Totley Hall Lane – It is assumed this will be going to auction.

Rony has contacted Joan Stratford (Totley All Saints ex head and historian), she will be happy to speak to the group. A date will be arranged.

Storage – We also need to think about storage. Marlene has asked Totley library if we can store items in the library, however, they have limited space and only have enough room for say one box. If anyone has anything they want placing on the TRA website please email to Ian/Kerry or John Beazer.

Brian advised that he is working with Derbyshire County Council to digitise some of his information, including his drawings. This work has commenced.

Brian also has a CD with volumes of information stored on it. He thinks it would be good to view this at a meeting highlighting various subjects, Brian is keen to do this and will advise when he can arrange it, he would like help with this. Brian is also indexing the Totley Independents.

At the next meeting we will spend half of it in our groups checking progress and the half looking at the funding we would like and any future events, eg walks, speakers.

Regarding the walks Sally is to contact Bob Warburton to see if he will do a walk through Gillfield Wood, or this may be done in the format of a slide show which will include the wood industry of Totley. It was thought it would be a good idea to arrange a walk on a Saturday say rather than a history group night.

**ACTION: SALLY**

The Sheffield Archives, Shoreham Street, are holding 30 minute sessions between 9am-10am on the following dates to explain how to use their facilities: 11 May, 8 June. Also, the local studies on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the library are doing the same on 18 May.

The archives can be used for primary source material and the local studies can be used for published materials.

Computer training can also be arranged in the library if anyone wants to know more about how to use computers for research.

**ACTION: ALL**

Bookings can be made as a group, Sally will clarify this. It was thought a good idea for a small number of people to go to the local studies.

**ACTION: SALLY**

Avril advised that it is Sheffield Environment Weeks commencing 25 April through to June. This is a 25 years celebration, there are various events, leaflets are available at Totley library. On 14 May commencing 1830 for 1900 hours at Sheffield University Ian Rotherham (talk on the wildside) and Mel Jones (talk about woodlands) will be holding an event. This is free but tickets must be obtained, there is also information on the website.

**Date and Time of Next Meetings**

Totley Library on Wednesday, 27 May 2009 at 7.30 pm

The 2009 dates will be on the 4th Wednesday of each month